

Dear Mr. Smallwood,

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Herowut Post Mortem.

And thanks for the tapes.

If it is at the hours I'm awake I'm willing to do your show but not with the ~~xxxxx~~ two others you name. Years ago I would have welcomed the inevitable controversy but now if it is not only a waste of time for me, it is against my health interests, especially the high blood pressure that I got all of a sudden this time last year when I was hospitalized for congestive heart failure. And ten days ago I was 84.

Besides, with the kind of stuff that people make up, there is little competition that fact can provide for exciting audiences. Which if then confuses.

As you'll see in Post Mortem, I restrict myself to the official fact and do no theorizing. Even my interviews, and I draw your attention to those of Drs. Parry and Carrico, are in terms of the official fact. And since then I've gotten a copy of the official White House transcript of the press conference those doctors in Dallas had once they pronounced JFK dead and in answer to question from the reporters they said three separate and distinct times that the wound in the neck was from the front.

Rush to Judgement, while dated by the time it appeared, was by and large a good book. That was the last good thing Lane did. His latest is a complete fraud. The only issue in the trial in which he represented Hitler's lover Willis Carto was whether Marchetti had written with malice. The rest that Lane adds is sucker bait. Marrs does not claim to be and in fact is not an authority on the assassination. He deals with the theories, none of which are real. As you'll know if you can get my NEVER AGAIN! Also by Carroll & Graf. The crime was never officially investigated and wasn't intended to be. And Livingstone is no longer rational in what he writes or says, as is clear in his Killing the Truth, which is what he did in that book. It is outrageous and indecent and totally fiction. But as fast as he makes it up to justify what he said that is wrong he believes what he makes up.

If this disillusioned you I am sorry but it is the fact as it is also a fact that those people confused, deceive and mislead the sorrowing people. I will not be a party to that.

Thanks and best wishes,

Harold Weisberg